

SENATE BILL No. 274

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 35-31.5-2-79; IC 35-33-8-3.2.

Synopsis: Crimes of violence and surety bonds. Provides that if a person charged with a crime of violence is admitted to bail, the person: (1) shall be admitted to bail by executing a bail bond with sufficient solvent sureties, depositing cash or securities in an amount equal to the bail, executing a bond secured by certain real estate, or posting a real estate bond; and (2) may not be admitted to bail under the statute that allows admission to bail by executing a bail bond by depositing cash or securities in an amount not less than 10% of the bail.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 35-31.5-2-79, AS ADDED BY P.L.114-2012,
2 SECTION 67, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2015]: Sec. 79. "Crime of violence", for purposes of
4 IC 35-50-1-2 **and IC 35-33-8-3.2**, has the meaning set forth in
5 IC 35-50-1-2(a).
6 SECTION 2. IC 35-33-8-3.2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.35-2012,
7 SECTION 107, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
8 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015]: Sec. 3.2. (a) **Except as provided in**
9 **subsection (b)**, a court may admit a defendant to bail and impose any
10 of the following conditions to assure the defendant's appearance at any
11 stage of the legal proceedings, or, upon a showing of clear and
12 convincing evidence that the defendant poses a risk of physical danger
13 to another person or the community, to assure the public's physical
14 safety:
15 (1) Require the defendant to:
16 (A) execute a bail bond with sufficient solvent sureties;



- (B) deposit cash or securities in an amount equal to the bail;
- (C) execute a bond secured by real estate in the county, where thirty-three hundredths (0.33) of the true tax value less encumbrances is at least equal to the amount of the bail;
- (D) post a real estate bond; or
- (E) perform any combination of the requirements described in clauses (A) through (D).

If the court requires the defendant to deposit cash or cash and another form of security as bail, the court may require the defendant and each person who makes the deposit on behalf of the defendant to execute an agreement that allows the court to retain all or a part of the cash to pay publicly paid costs of representation and fines, costs, fees, and restitution that the court may order the defendant to pay if the defendant is convicted. The defendant must also pay the fee required by subsection ~~(d)~~: (e).

(2) Require the defendant to execute:

- (A) a bail bond by depositing cash or securities with the clerk of the court in an amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the bail; and
- (B) an agreement that allows the court to retain all or a part of the cash or securities to pay fines, costs, fees, and restitution that the court may order the defendant to pay if the defendant is convicted.

A portion of the deposit, not to exceed ten percent (10%) of the monetary value of the deposit or fifty dollars (\$50), whichever is the lesser amount, may be retained as an administrative fee. The clerk shall also retain from the deposit under this subdivision fines, costs, fees, and restitution as ordered by the court, publicly paid costs of representation that shall be disposed of in accordance with subsection ~~(b)~~: (c), and the fee required by subsection ~~(d)~~: (e). In the event of the posting of a real estate bond, the bond shall be used only to insure the presence of the defendant at any stage of the legal proceedings, but shall not be foreclosed for the payment of fines, costs, fees, or restitution. The individual posting bail for the defendant or the defendant admitted to bail under this subdivision must be notified by the sheriff, court, or clerk that the defendant's deposit may be forfeited under section 7 of this chapter or retained under subsection ~~(b)~~: (c).

(3) Impose reasonable restrictions on the activities, movements, associations, and residence of the defendant during the period of release.



(4) Except as provided in section 3.6 of this chapter, require the defendant to refrain from any direct or indirect contact with an individual and, if the defendant has been charged with an offense under IC 35-46-3, any animal belonging to the individual, including if the defendant has not been released from lawful detention.

(5) Place the defendant under the reasonable supervision of a probation officer, pretrial services agency, or other appropriate public official. If the court places the defendant under the supervision of a probation officer or pretrial services agency, the court shall determine whether the defendant must pay the pretrial services fee under section 3.3 of this chapter.

(6) Release the defendant into the care of a qualified person or organization responsible for supervising the defendant and assisting the defendant in appearing in court. The supervisor shall maintain reasonable contact with the defendant in order to assist the defendant in making arrangements to appear in court and, where appropriate, shall accompany the defendant to court. The supervisor need not be financially responsible for the defendant.

(7) Release the defendant on personal recognizance unless:

(A) the state presents evidence relevant to a risk by the defendant:

(i) of nonappearance; or

(ii) to the physical safety of the public; and

(B) the court finds by a preponderance of the evidence that the risk exists.

(8) Require a defendant charged with an offense under IC 35-46-3 to refrain from owning, harboring, or training an animal.

(9) Impose any other reasonable restrictions designed to assure the defendant's presence in court or the physical safety of another person or the community.

(b) If a defendant is charged with a crime of violence (as defined in IC 35-50-1-2) and the court admits the defendant to bail, the court:

(1) shall admit the defendant to bail under subsection (a)(1);

(2) may not admit the defendant to bail under subsection (a)(2); and

(3) may impose on the defendant any other appropriate condition set forth in subsection (a)(3) through (a)(9).

(c) Within thirty (30) days after disposition of the charges against the defendant, the court that admitted the defendant to bail shall order the clerk to remit the amount of the deposit remaining under



1 subsection (a)(2) to the defendant. The portion of the deposit that is not
 2 remitted to the defendant shall be deposited by the clerk in the
 3 supplemental public defender services fund established under
 4 IC 33-40-3.

5 ~~(c)~~ (d) For purposes of subsection ~~(b)~~; (c), "disposition" occurs
 6 when the indictment or information is dismissed or the defendant is
 7 acquitted or convicted of the charges.

8 ~~(d)~~ (e) Except as provided in subsection ~~(c)~~; (f), the clerk of the
 9 court shall:

10 (1) collect a fee of five dollars (\$5) from each bond or deposit
 11 required under subsection (a)(1); and

12 (2) retain a fee of five dollars (\$5) from each deposit under
 13 subsection (a)(2).

14 The clerk of the court shall semiannually remit the fees collected under
 15 this subsection to the board of trustees of the Indiana public retirement
 16 system for deposit in the special death benefit fund. The fee required
 17 by subdivision (2) is in addition to the administrative fee retained under
 18 subsection (a)(2).

19 ~~(e)~~ (f) With the approval of the clerk of the court, the county sheriff
 20 may collect the bail posted under this section. The county sheriff shall
 21 remit the bail to the clerk of the court by the following business day
 22 and remit monthly the five dollar (\$5) special death benefit fee to the
 23 county auditor.

24 ~~(f)~~ (g) When a court imposes a condition of bail described in
 25 subsection (a)(4):

26 (1) the clerk of the court shall comply with IC 5-2-9; and

27 (2) the prosecuting attorney shall file a confidential form
 28 prescribed or approved by the division of state court
 29 administration with the clerk.

